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2.	Educational Qualification:	VIII pass. Preference will be given to those who have been trained for any trade in Government recognised/ approved institutions for duration of at least six months.
3.	Family Income:	Neither the income of the beneficiary along with the spouse nor the income of parents of the beneficiaries shall exceed Rs. 40,000/- per annum.
4.	Residence:	Permanent resident of the area for atleast 3 years. (Relaxed for married women. In case of married women the residency criteria, applies to her husband or in-laws)
5.	Defaulter:	Should not be a defaulter to any nationalised bank/financial institution/cooperative bank. Further, a person already assisted under other subsidy, linked Government schemes would not be eligible under this scheme.

#### Dereservation of items

<sup>†</sup>4556. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':  
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of the items reserved for small scale industries have been curtailed during the last two years;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

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(b) if so, the number of items contained in the said reservation list in the March, 1998; and

(c) the number of said items at the end of March, 2001 alongwith the reasons making curtailment in the said list?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Out of 821 items reserved for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector as on 31.3.1998, 10 items have been dereserved as indicated below:

1998	9
1999-2000	Nil
2000-2001	1

(c) At the end of March, 2001 there are 811 items reserved for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector. The reasons for dereservation of these items are to encourage technology upgradation for enhancement of productivity and competitiveness, export promotion, introduction of innovative marketing strategies, quality improvement and on ground of safety, health and hygiene.

#### SSI in Gujarat after Earthquake

\*4557. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minsiter of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the small industries as well as cottage industries of Gujarat have suffered heavy losses due to recent severe earthquake;

(b) if so, the losses incurred in this regard; and

(c) the effective measures being taken by Government for the development of affected Small Scale Industries in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES

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